

# CHANCELLOR HAS PROTEST IN BEHALF OF THE BELGIANS

Message From Washington Calling Attention To Inhumanity of Treatment of Conquered People Read To Him in Berlin

AMERICAN CHARGE SEES VON BETHMANN HOLLWEG

State Department Makes Public Contents of Note Which Declares That Teutons Are Violating Laws of Humanity

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—The note of protest sent by the United States to Berlin against the continued deportation of Belgians, men, women and children, by the German authorities in Belgium, has been read to the German chancellor, von Bethmann Hollweg, but nothing is now known of what was said or done at the interview between the American charge, Joseph G. Grew, and the German prime minister.

State department officials admitted last night that instructions had been cabled to Grew to seek an interview with the chancellor at once at which he was to read the note.

**HELD INTERVIEW**  
They also admitted that Grew had later cabled "Interview has taken place" but they would not discuss the subject further nor would they admit that the cable from Grew contained anything beyond what they had made public.

The note was made public yesterday. It protests against the treatment of the Belgians by their overlords, the German invaders, and particularly does it protest against the deportation of men, women and children from their homes to Germany, where they are being compelled to work for their conquerors, thus freeing German men for service in the army.

**TREATMENT INHUMAN**  
This deportation and forced labor is declared by the note to be contrary to common humanity and the precedents set by other wars. It also declares that such treatment of helpless non-combatants is a violation of all the rules of international law as well as the laws of war.

The note was cabled to Berlin November 29, the day on which Ambassador Gerard, at that time in Washington on a leave of absence from his post in Berlin, discussed this and other features of the situation with President Wilson.

**"SOCIAL NECESSITY"**  
Berlin censors yesterday allowed a statement issued in that city to go through to the outside world. The statement declared that the treatment accorded to the Belgians and their "transfer to Germany" which has been the subject of such bitter complaint, is a "social necessity and does not mean any hardship to the deported men and women."

# CHINA SENDS ENVOY TO COURT AT TOKIO

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, December 8.—Tao-tsun, former assistant secretary of state of China, will leave Peking on December 13 for Tokyo. His visit is considered of much importance in diplomatic circles, as he will be entertained as a guest of the Japanese government. President Li Yuan Hung has appointed Tao-tsun as the special envoy to discuss the relations between China and Japan in Oriental matters. Li Yuan Hung was educated in Japan, and since his election to the presidency of China has been unusually friendly to this country. He is sending a decoration of the highest order which will be presented to Emperor Yoshihito of Japan by the envoy.

# HEIRESS TO MANY MILLIONS DIES AFTER OPERATION

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—Yesterday afternoon, shortly after the appearance of her husband's estate had announced that she had been left the sole heir to stocks, bonds and property worth \$40,566,895, Mrs. Mary Warden Harkness, widow of the late Charles Harkness, died in a private hospital here, following an operation.

Charles Harkness, who was a director of the Southern Pacific, the Burlington and the St. Paul Railroads and a large owner of Standard Oil securities, died a few weeks ago. In his will, he left his entire estate to his wife, who was much younger than he.

# PRESIDENT'S MIND NOT YET MADE UP

Still Undecided As To Attitude On Various Submarine Issues Now Pending

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—President Wilson has given no indication of what attitude he intends to take on the submarine question now one of the most serious problems which he has to solve.

Indeed he has positively stated that he is "undecided" what he will do, although it is known that he has been going over the recent developments in the situation, and has been devoting much of his time to the matter since the receipt of the German note on the sinking of the Arabia, which is regarded here as "weak and unsatisfactory."

The administration, awaiting their cue from their chief, are silent, except to reiterate that the attitude of the government has not been changed and that it is to be expected that Mr. Wilson will so announce within a few days.

A fresh factor was injected into the problem yesterday by the official information received here yesterday, establishing the status of the British steamer Marina, which was sunk off the Irish coast by a German submarine, in no sense a war transport and therefore entitled to the immunity which Germany has pledged herself to give merchant vessels.

The Marina was sunk with the loss of six American crew members, and Berlin has already reported that she sank the vessel mistaking it for another. This is the same or practically the same excuse the Germans have given in the case of the Arabia.

A new note sent by the United States to Germany on the general submarine situation appears possible. If it is sent it will be for the purpose of clearing up the apparent differences in interpretation of what Germany's pledges, after the Sussex attack, covered, especially with reference to armed ships.

Secretary of State Lansing has asked Britain for information to determine the status of the R. & O. liner Arabia.

# HAWAII'S POPULATION NOW TOTALS 237,633

Governor's Report Shows Increase of 45,714

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 8.—The annual report of Governor Lagoon E. Pinkham of Hawaii, made to the secretary of the interior gives the population of Hawaii now as 237,633, an increase of 45,714 over the figures for 1910, when the last regular census was taken. The greatest increase is shown to be in Japanese, to whose numbers 17,826 have been added.

**POLICE OFFICER TURNS THIEF AND GETS BOOTY**  
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LOS ANGELES, December 8.—Albert Griffith, a policeman for four years, is the hold thief who yesterday robbed an express wagon of \$20,000 after throwing pepper in the eyes of the guard. Griffith has confessed to detectives that he robbed the wagon. Most of the money has been recovered.

**COELHO SEEKING JOB AS CLERK OF SENATE**  
William J. Coelho formerly a senator from Maui and now an employee of the land office is an active candidate for clerk of the senate at the coming session of the legislature. Coelho is familiar with legislative procedure and figures that he has better than an even chance to win the appointment.

# COAST JAPANESE ELECT OFFICERS

David Starr Jordan Named Vice President of Japan Society of California

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)  
SAN FRANCISCO, December 9.—The annual meeting of the Japan society, which is composed of many prominent Americans and Japanese of California, was held last night in the St. Francis Hotel, and more than one hundred members were present. After reports of business and financial conditions the election of the officers was held.

The new officers are as follows: Francis B. Loomis, former assistant secretary of state, president; Doctor David Starr Jordan, vice-president; Doctor Guy, Mr. Hale, and Miss Bell, directors; S. Totsuda, manager of the San Francisco branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank, treasurer; and Y. Nagashima, manager of the Mitsui Products Company, auditor.

Doctor Guy gave an address representing the American members and Y. Ichihashi, professor of Standard University made a speech representing the Japanese members. Several days ago the University of California had decided to study Japan for the purpose of promoting the friendship between the United States and Japan by mutual understanding, and appointed a committee which is composed of four professors of the university. The members of the Japan society who were present at the annual meeting, promised the committee to give every possible assistance.

# NAVAL BOARD CAN NOT SELECT SITE

Members Unable To Choose Place For Constructing Big Armor Plate Plant

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—The naval board, which has been going over the claims of the various proposed sites for the armor plate plant to be established and conducted by the government, has reported that it feels unable to designate any one of the sites under consideration for its recommendation. The members of the board have not attempted to select any one of the sites considered, says the report.

The report that was presented to the navy department yesterday has not been made public except in a very general way. The question of a site has been reviewed in all its aspects and a summary of the claims of one hundred and twenty-five cities has been made. It is understood that a majority of the board favors a site somewhere in the Middle West, but no vote was taken nor is any preference expressed officially.

It is probable that Secretary Daniels will name another board, with instructions to make specific recommendations.

# FORMER PRESIDENT OF CHILE DIES AT HOME

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SANTIAGO, Chile, December 9.—German Riesco, former President of Chile, died at his home here yesterday. Senor Riesco was for years the leader of the Moderate Liberals of Chile, the party opposed to the union of Church and State, and was consequently in opposition to the aims of the Roman Catholic party in the Republic. He was elected President in 1901, supported at the polls by the Radicals and Liberals and the anti-church wing of the Conservatives. He was a relative of the late President Errazuriz.

# FRENCH FEAR BIG BATTLESHIP LOST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
PARIS, December 8.—The French battleship Suffren, which sailed on November 24 for L'Orient, and carrying complement of 750 men, has been lost with all on board, in the opinion of the minister of marine.

The battleship Suffren is an old vessel, of 12,527 tons, launched in 1899, carrying four 12-inch, 10 6-inch and other guns. She had a speed of 18 knots.

L'Orient, France, is a fortified seaport town on the Bay of Biscay, with extensive docks and building yards.

**BRITISH'S PEACE TERMS ARE VICTORY**  
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—England wants peace, and wants it badly, but not enough to list a proposal in that direction until the peace has been won from Germany, a great defeat.

# UNCLE SAMUEL TO AID IN BOOSTING HAWAII'S WONDERS

National Park Service Publishes Bulletin Describing Marvels of Island Reserve

PHOTOGRAPHS OF REGION WILL BE SPREAD WIDELY

Bureau Lauds Beauties of Haleakala and Kilauaea As World Attractions For Travelers

The favorable attitude of the national park service of the department of interior, in advertising the Hawaiian National Park through the medium of press memorandum and special illustrated bulletins which are being sent broadcast over the mainland, is giving another boost to the publicity which is being given these islands.

The promotion committee which has been in active correspondence on the subject of Kilauaea and Haleakala Volcano park districts, has just received from Robert S. Yord, chief of the national park service, acknowledgment of a number of photographs which Secretary Taylor sent to him recently for use in the bulletin issued by the service, which has also received the memorandum for the press issued by the department, which gives in a concrete form an idea of what the new Hawaiian National Park is and good descriptions of both of the volcanoes.

Publicity Wide Spread  
That the Washington bureau is in earnest about giving publicity to the new national park, is evidenced by the activity it has displayed in obtaining photographs for use in the first illustrated bulletin. Telegrams were first sent to the Hawaiian National Park promotion committee which secured many photographs as could be secured on short notice. Additional photographs have been forwarded from the local headquarters. In acknowledging receipt of the Hawaiian National Park photographs sent by the promotion committee, the national park bureau chief stated that "the photographs are the only ones really descriptive of the Territory we have been able to get hold of."

The promotion committee is further advised that Miss Edna M. Peltz, private secretary to Mr. Yord, and a friend will spend next summer in the islands and during the short time they are here expect to visit Kilauaea and Haleakala and if practicable, ascend the summit of Mauna Loa and also visit the private secretary will assist materially in the handling of correspondence between Washington and Honolulu on the subject of volcanoes.

The following is the gist of the first bulletin on the Hawaiian National Park, which reached the promotion committee in the last mail:

**Objects of the Park**  
The Hawaiian National Park, just created by congress is the first national park lying outside the continental boundaries of the United States. It sets apart three celebrated Hawaiian volcanoes, Kilauaea, Mauna Loa, and Haleakala, and entrusts their protection and development as national spectacles to the department of the interior.

"The Hawaiian Volcanoes," writes T. A. Jaggar, director of the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, "are truly a national asset, wholly unique of their kind, the most famous in the world of science and the most continuously, variously and harmlessly active volcanoes on earth. Kilauaea crater has been nearly continuously active with a lake of lakes of molten lava for a century. Mauna Loa is the largest active volcano and mountain mass in the world, with eruptions about once a decade, and has poured out more lava during the last century than any other volcano on the globe. Haleakala is a mountain mass ten thousand feet high with a tremendous crater rift in its summit eight miles in diameter and three thousand feet deep, with high lava cones built inside the crater. It is probably the largest of all known craters among volcanoes that are technically known as active. Haleakala erupted less than two hundred years ago. The crater at sunrise is the grandest volcanic spectacle on earth."

**Lava Lake Feature**  
The lava lake at Kilauaea is the main feature of the new national park. It draws visitors from all over the world. It is a lake of fire a thousand feet long splashing on its banks with a smoke like waves of the sea, while great fountains of lava through fifty feet high, sending quantities of glowing spray over the shore. Gases hiss and rumble and blue flames play through crevasses.

There have been occasional crises. Mr. Jaggar recently testified before the house committee on the public lands, when the active crater was upheaved into a hill and thereafter collapsed into a deep pit with marvellously spectacular avalanches and fiery grottoes, cascades, whirlpools and rapids of glowing molten lava.

Mauna Loa is capped with perpetual snow. It is 13,675 feet high.

# SECRETARIES TO RETAIN POSTS IN THE CABINET

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—It was announced last night that Secretaries McAdoo of the treasury and Houston of the department of agriculture, will retain their positions in the President's official cabinet after the expiration of the present term and the beginning of the next.

# FIGURES OF CANAL SHOW BIG DEFICIT

Report For Fiscal Year Likely To Lead To Increase of Tolls

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—The publication of the figures of receipts and expenditures in connection with the operation of the Panama Canal, showing a heavy deficit in the waterway end of the business, will probably lead to a recommendation that the canal tolls be raised substantially.

The statement of the canal finances for the year ending June 30 show that the cost of operations for the canal proper is double the amount taken in from the ships using the canal, while even when adding the net revenues of the Transisthmian Railroad to the canal receipts, the total operating costs exceed the total revenues by 6.77 percent.

The total expenses of the canal and railroad amounted to \$29,327,504. The total income from the land and water lines amounted to \$27,339,888, leaving a deficit of approximately two million dollars.

# CHARLES H. BROWN, BUSINESS MAN DIES

End Comes At Sanitarium Where He Had Been Taken For Treatment

Charles Henry Brown, of 2523 East Mauna Road, member of the house of representatives in the last territorial legislature and a well-known business man of Honolulu for many years past, died shortly after three o'clock yesterday morning in the Beretania Sanitarium, where he had been under treatment for some weeks.

Mr. Brown was born in New York on August 19, 1857, and was in his sixtieth year. He first came to Hawaii in the United States of Columbia, which arrived in Hilo from the Northwest ports of the mainland about twenty years ago and, after making several attempts to leave the Islands, sank off Nihoa.

For a number of years Brown was a prominent citizen and business man of Hilo. He removed later to Honolulu and established here the Honolulu Scrap Iron Company, of which he was manager and virtually sole owner. Always a staunch Republican, Brown took an active part in local politics and in fraternal work. He was a past noble of Harmony Lodge, No. 3, and supreme deputy dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose in Hawaii and in the latter capacity made three trips to the mainland in the interest of the order. He was a member of the first police and fire civil service commission, and served a term in the legislature, but failed of nomination at the primary election last September.

He is survived by the wife and a daughter, Ruth E. Brown, now attending Oahu College at Punahou.

# UNCLE SAM'S ARMY THOUSANDS SHORT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 8.—As showing the need for recruits for the regular army under the new national defense plan, Adjutant General McCall, has released a report stating that the army is now short 1750 officers and 25,985 men of the authorized strength for June 30, 1917, and that on the July 1, 1917, next day the army will be more than thirty-four thousand men under the authorized strength. The sudden difference is due to the fact that the first increment of the army increase under the national defense plan will be available July 1.

# REAR ADMIRAL URGES BIGGER, FASTER SHIPS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 8.—Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, retired, and member of the general board of the navy department, explained to the house committee on naval affairs today the recommendation of the board for larger ships for the 1918 building program. Admiral Badger said that Japan is building larger, more powerful and swifter battleships than any being planned by the United States. The main battery of this great fighting machine, he said, would be 12, 15 or 16 inch guns.

# ARIZONA DRY NOW

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
PHOENIX, Arizona, December 9.—State-wide prohibition went into effect throughout Arizona last night. All liquor found in the State after midnight will be declared contraband and confiscated.

# TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets). Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. The signature of E. W. GROVE is on each box. Manufactured by the PARKS MEDICINE CO., St. Louis, U. S. A.

# ASQUITH REFUSES EARLDOM OFFERED BY KING GEORGE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, December 9.—The King has asked former premier Herbert Asquith to accept an earldom, and the Order of the Garter, according to a statement printed in the Morning Chronicle today. This, the journal adds, Mr. Asquith has refused to do. His Majesty an answer requesting to be permitted to decline both honors.

Mr. Rt. Hon. Arthur James Balfour, Unionist, present first lord of the admiralty, and a former premier of Britain, is to be the new foreign secretary in Lloyd George's cabinet, if a movement now on foot succeeds. At a meeting of Liberals yesterday it was said that Balfour would be the next foreign secretary.

Mr. Asquith told the meeting of Liberals yesterday that he has not relinquished the leadership of the Liberal party.

He said that there had been a carefully-engineered campaign against him, but that he had not been taken part in this campaign.

# GASOLINE PROBLEM NEARING SOLUTION

Government Announces Doctor Pittman's New Process Practical and Commercial Success

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 9.—After twenty months of careful testing out on the process discovered by Dr. Walter F. Pittman, of the bureau of mines in the department of the interior, whereby petroleum refineries will be enabled to extract two hundred per cent more gasoline from crude petroleum than under the present methods of refining, it was announced at the bureau yesterday that the process is a practical and a commercial success.

The announcement of the bureau of mines in March of last year that such a process had been evolved by one of the scientists of the bureau staff was hailed as something of the very highest importance, both from an industrial and a military standpoint. The discovery includes a process whereby from crude petroleum it is possible to produce turpentine and benzol, the bases of aniline dyes, on a large scale and cheaply. Heretofore the method of extracting these bases from crude petroleum has been one of the most closely guarded of German trade secrets.

The process whereby the gasoline output may be trebled will solve the question of motor transportation on a large scale and the whole problem of the fuel supply for gasoline run machinery.

The experiments on a commercial scale which have been carried out have been conducted with the use of California oil.

Another announcement yesterday by the bureau of mines is that radium to the value of a million dollars has been produced at a cost of extraction from the pitchblende ore of only \$340,000, through the cooperation of the producers of the ore and the National Radium Institute. The greater part of the radium so produced will be sent to the various hospitals throughout the Union.

# FEAR RAIDER NOW ROVING ATLANTIC

Entente Ships Warned Suspected Vessel Is Loose Along the Trade Routes

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, December 9.—British authorities have been instructed to warn shipping belonging to the nations of the Entente, that it be feared a German raider is loose in the Atlantic.

This suspected vessel is somewhere in the North Atlantic, according to this warning. She was intercepted by a British war ship north of Scotland on December 2, but was allowed to proceed under the impression that she was the Dutch steamer Gamma. Later it developed that the Gamma was in harbor at Kirkwall, England until December 3.

It is thought possible that the suspected ship is carrying mines in violation to strew them along the trade routes between the United States and Great Britain.

# DUAL MONARCH MAY HAVE DRASTIC COMPULSION LAW

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, December 9.—According to a despatch from Budapest, to the Post a bill providing for universal compulsory service either in the army or in some work that will be of direct assistance to the State, will be introduced into the Austrian and Hungarian parliaments immediately. It will be modeled upon the measure which recently became a law in Germany but will be much more drastic.

**FAMOUS BUILDING SOLD**  
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, December 8.—Madison Square Garden, scene of many famous events of metropolitan life, has been purchased by the New York Life Insurance Company at a foreclosure sale for \$27,000,000.

# RUMANIANS FLEEING: SEEK STRONG LINE FOR DEFENSE

Falling Back To Buzou River, Where Wings Will Be Protected By Russians On North and Danube River To the South

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, December 9.—The main Rumanian army and its Russian divisions are continuing to fall back in Eastern Wallachia before the advancing forces of von Mackensen, apparently making little resistance except through minor rear guard actions.

To just what extent the Austro-Germans and Bulgars have advanced east and north of Bucharest is not apparent from the reports received, but it seems to be the object of the Rumanians to reach the line of the Buzou River before the Teutons are able to penetrate the Moldavian borders and reach their rear and before any German-Turkish force is able to cross the Danube around Tchernavoda and outflank them.

Reaching the Buzou River in safety, the Rumanians will be able to take up a strong defensive position, with their left protected by the wide marshes of the Upper Danube, and their right in touch with the main Russian line through Bukovina and down the Moldavian side of the Carpathians. The Buzou River is sixty miles northeast of Bucharest at its nearest point, entering Rumania through the Tomos Pass, near the Transylvanian city of Kronstadt.

Meanwhile, reporting everything quiet in the Dobroja section, Mackensen is employing a large portion of his force in rounding up the various Rumanian detachments cut off from the main army by the Teuton sweep upon Bucharest, taking prisoners in large numbers, eighteen thousand men and twenty-four guns having been taken in all in Southern Rumania, between Bucharest and the Danube.

**Rumanian Loss Heavy**  
A force of eight thousand Rumanians which had been cut off in Western Wallachia has been taken, surrendering after being surrounded, while another thousand, beaten back into the Prut and Althanz Passes, have surrendered.

Rattled as the Russians with the Rumanian forces have been by the attacks of the Teutons they are still attacking desperately and are managing to hold their own in places. Berlin admits that in the Trotus Valley the Slavs are on the offensive, but declares that a number of assaults in that region have been checked or definitely repulsed.

In the Otus Valley the boot is now on the other foot, and the Germans are attacking furiously in the hope of breaking through the Slav lines, but in this they have failed, according to the official statement issued last night by the Russian general staff in Petrograd.

**Fighting in Carpathians**  
In the Carpathians the Russians are battering hard at the Austrian and German lines. South of Jarovnik Pass they "attacked heavily yesterday" but they failed there also, declares Berlin.

On the West there is but comparative little activity. Most of this is in the vicinity of Verdun, where there has been more or less heavy fighting in the neighborhood of Hill 304. Here both sides claim success and the defeat of their adversary.

# VENDORS OF ICE CREAM CAUGHT VIOLATING LAW

Food Inspector M. B. Bairos, after an inspection of thirty places selling ice cream in the city, reported that he found twenty of them were selling below the standard of fourteen percent of butter fat. Two of the dealers, Chu Hoon and Inukai, were arrested. The other eighteen were warned to live up to the requirements of the law. Bairos threatens to publish the names of the delinquents after his next inspection.